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Title: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR REPORTING XML
DATA BASED ON PRECOMPUTED CONTEXT
AND A DOCUMENT**

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's allowance of Claims 1-23 and 25 (to be renumbered in order). Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104, Applicants respectfully issue a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance. Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and regulations.

Furthermore, Applicants do not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all of their constituent limitations.

In particular, Applicants respectfully submit that although independent Claims 1, 4, 7, 13, 20, 23, and 25 may recite certain limitations that are substantially similar, each of these claims must be interpreted individually, each according to its own terms. Additionally, with respect to the Examiner's citation to the Specification, Applicants respectfully submit that it would be improper to read limitations into the claims from the Specification. Furthermore, with respect to the Examiner's comments regarding U.S. Patent 6,687,873B1 (the "'873 Patent), Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of the present Application may include distinctions from the '873 Patent other than those referenced by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,
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